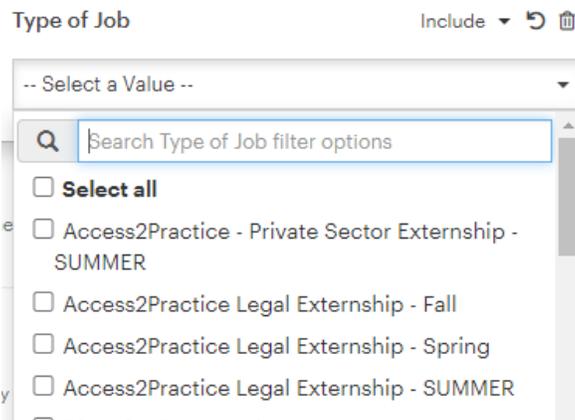


To Obtain a Legal Externship Placement:

The program does not assign students to particular field placements. Instead a student must first independently obtain an externship placement before applying to participate in and register for an *Access2Practice Legal Externship*. Each placement is independent and external to the law school and will have its own independent selection and screening process.

The greater Chicagoland area offers a wide variety of externship placements. The large majority of opportunities are in the public sector only, many of which are listed on individual organizational websites. If you have firms/organizations you would like to work at in particular, please check their websites if nothing is indicated in *12Twenty*. However, a large number of those firms post their opportunities on *12Twenty*. To gain access to available externship placement possibilities, log on to and search *12Twenty* by clicking on “OCI and Job Listings” and select “Type of Jobs”:



Several drop-down boxes will appear listing categories of postings. Search any category that might be applicable, e.g., “Access2Practice Legal Externships”, “Internships”, “Volunteer Internships”, “Fall Volunteer Internships”, etc.

Certain externship/volunteer listings will be marked “**For Credit Only**” – meaning that a student cannot extern at that placement **unless** he/she is **formally enrolled** as a participant in Chicago-Kent’s *A2P* Legal Externship Program.

Many postings in *12Twenty* will give you the option of either applying to volunteer or convert that volunteer opportunity into a for-credit externship.

On rare occasions, lawyers/firms independently access *12Twenty* and place postings that have not been screened, approved, or endorsed by the law school. These are not valid placements for the purposes of *A2P* **unless** approved by Professor Decatorsmith.

Once you have been selected by a firm, you must complete the application form located on the externship website.

Other available for-credit externship placements:

Semester Law Firm Associate Program

Chicago-Kent’s Semester Law Firm Associate Program (SLFAP) is a unique for-credit non-graded program open to 2Ls and 3Ls with a cumulative minimum **3.2 GPA**. Semester Associate externs work for academic credit (without pay) as “Associates” for designated and prestigious law firms such as Beerman LLP, Dickinson Wright, Michael Best & Friedrich LLP, Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney, and Stahl Cowen Crowley Addis LLC (opportunities depend on the semester, please see announcements for these positions).

Semester Associate externs receive **6 credits** and devote **24 hours** a week during the semester to the fieldwork component. Students gain experience, skills and perspective from work on different aspects of litigation and transactions. The firms strive to expose students to a range of legal problems demanding varying skill sets and competencies. In conjunction with the fieldwork, there is an accompanying classroom component with Professor Decatorsmith.

Institute for the Future of Legal Practice

IFLP is a 9-credit legal externship opportunity: <https://www.futurelawpractice.org/> Applicants selected will work 40 hours a week at their placement and will have a classroom component overseen by Professor Decatorsmith. Please see the website for information about placements.

FORMS:

Applications for many of the above opportunities, when available, will be posted both on the externship site as well as on *12Twenty* in the resource library folder:

